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In re: **K234BL, Falls City, NE**
Facility ID No. 147650
Silent since July 1, 2011

Request for Extension of Special Temporary
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Peltzman:

This letter concerns the request you filed on April 2, 2012, on behalf of Mission Nebraska, Inc. ("MNI"), for extension of Special Temporary Authority to permit FM Translator Station K234BL to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that MNI stated that Station K234BL went silent on July 1, 2011, for technical reasons. The previous STA was granted on September 29, 2011, and expired on April 2, 2012. MNI requests extension of its STA pending a proposed change of its transmitter site. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

MNI's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station K234BL to remain silent until July 1, 2012. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station K234BL will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., July 2, 2012.¹** See Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

The station's silent status does not suspend the licensee's obligation to comply with all other relevant Commission rules, including the filing, when appropriate, of applications for renewal of broadcast license. Finally, we note that it is imperative to the safety of air navigation that any prescribed painting and illumination of the station's tower shall be maintained until removed. See 47 C.F.R. §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).

Sincerely,



Lisa A. Scanlan
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¹ In addition to filing electronically with the Commission on the date operations resume, notification of resumption of broadcast operations must be emailed to Denise.Williams@FCC.gov.